



**STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
POLICY DIRECTIVE**

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I. POLICY

The Montana Department of Corrections will ensure that minimum space, furnishings, and other related requirements for offender housing areas will comply with all applicable local, state, and federal codes and statutes and nationally accepted correctional standards.

II. APPLICABILITY

All Department divisions, facilities, and programs housing offenders.

III. DEFINITIONS

None

IV. DEPARTMENT DIRECTIVES

- A. All correctional facility housing areas will be built, equipped, and maintained in compliance with applicable local, state and federal codes and statutes as well as the intent and operational philosophy of the facility.
- B. New construction and renovation of offender housing units and cells will, to the extent possible, comply with all applicable correctional standards established by the American Correctional Association.
- C. New construction and renovation of offender housing units and cells will comply with all applicable standards intended to ensure accessibility for offenders with disabilities, including but not limited to, any standards made applicable by the Americans with Disabilities Act and its implementing regulations. See *DOC Policy 3.3.15 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Offender Accommodations* for the definition and explanation of disability.
- D. Any new construction estimated to cost over \$150,000 must be submitted to the Department of Administration, Architecture and Engineering Division Long Range Building Process.

V. CLOSING

Questions concerning this policy should be directed to the Facility Administrator.

VI. REFERENCES

- A. 53-1-203, MCA; 18-2-101 through 18-2-105, MCA
- B. *DOC Policies 1.1.3 Organization and Responsibility; 3.3.15 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Offender Accommodations*